



GOOSE CREEK CONSOLIDATED INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

**DATE, TIME, LOCATION: MONDAY, JANUARY 23, 2012, 6:30 PM
REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES
ADMINISTRATION BUILDING BOARD ROOM
4544 INTERSTATE 10, BAYTOWN, TEXAS**

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If, during the course of the meeting, any discussion of any item on the Agenda should be held in Closed meeting, the Board will conduct a closed meeting in accordance with the Texas Open Meetings Act, Texas Government Code, Chapter 551, Subchapter D and E.

If you require special assistance or the provision of an auxiliary aid or device during this event, please contact Noemi Garcia in the Superintendent's Office at 281.420.4816 at least 48 hours prior to the event.



GOOSE CREEK CONSOLIDATED INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

BYRON P. TERRIER, Ed.D.

DEPUTY SUPERINTENDENT
ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES

January 13, 2012

TO: Dr. Toby York
FROM: Dr. Byron Terrier
SUBJECT: Opening Exercises for January 23, Board Meeting

The opening exercises for the January 23, 2012, Board Meeting will be given by students from Robert E. Lee High School.

The pledges will be led by Cailun Fite and Clay Leatherwood.

Students from the District winning "Agricultural Issues Team" will make a presentation. The following students will participate in the presentation:

Clay Leatherwood
Cailun Fite
Demi Hofstetter
Sam Shroyer
William Botting

The students are under the direction of the teacher, Mr. Lawrence Richard and principal, Mr. Bruce Davis.

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PUBLIC HEARING

GCCISD Proposed Single-Member Board of Trustees Redistricting



Single-Member Redistricting Overview

Legal Considerations For Redistricting

Population Equality: “One Person — One Vote”

➤ ***Baker v. Carr***

➤ ***Reynold v. Sims***

Protections Against Discrimination of Racial, Ethnic and Language Minorities

➤ **Voting Rights Act**

Equal Protection/14th Amendment: Redistricting Based on Race

➤ ***Shaw v. Reno***

➤ ***Bush v. Vera***

Texas Constitution: Equal Protection Clause and Equal Rights Amendment

Census Comparison Process

- Dr. Bob Stein, Rice University, and his working group compared the existing district census information with the new 2010 census information.

Rule of Thumb

- If the new census data shows the most populous trustee district (based upon existing boundaries) exceeds the least populous district by at least 10%, then the school district must redraw the single-member district lines.

Redistricting Required

- Upon evaluating the 2010 census data within the current single-member district boundaries, Dr. Stein's team found an unequal distribution of population across the existing district boundaries.
- The most populous district exceeded the least populous district by more than 10% (49.5%).

Current Goose Creek CISD District Statistics

District	Total Pop	Total Dev.	% Dev.
D1	10,423	-3,730	-26.4
D2	11,054	-3,099	-21.9
D3	12,970	-1,183	-8.4
D4	14,147	-6	0.0
D5	21,152	6,999	49.5
D6	17,776	3,623	25.6
D7	11,550	-2,603	-18.4
Total	99,072		
Ideal	14,153		
Cum. Dev.			75.8

District	Old Total	New Total	Difference	Ideal Size	Difference From Ideal	% From Ideal Size	New Hispanic Total	Hispanic %	New Black Total	Black %	New White Total	White %
District 1+	10,423	14,207	3,784	14,153	54	0.38	6,395	45.01	4,770	33.57	3,042	21.41
District 2*	11,054	13,721	2,667	14,153	-432	-3.05	10,234	74.59	1,288	9.39	2,199	16.03
District 3	12,970	14,314	1,344	14,153	161	1.14	3,907	27.29	1,024	7.15	9,383	65.55
District 4	14,147	13,775	-372	14,153	-378	-2.67	4,550	33.03	2,443	17.74	6,782	49.23
District 5	21,152	14,510	-6,642	14,153	357	2.52	5,110	35.22	2,810	19.37	6,590	45.42
District 6	17,776	14,405	-3,371	14,153	252	1.78	4,642	32.22	1,424	9.89	8,339	57.89
District 7	11,550	14,140	2,590	14,153	-13	-0.09	5,358	37.89	2,011	14.22	6,771	47.89

+ Hispanic influence district

* Hispanic district

Workshop Changes

- After our workshop with the Board on September 22, 2011, we moved the entirety of Precinct #250 into District #1 and we moved the voting area east of Cedar Bayou Stream from District #7 to District #6. Modifications were minor.

Dist		Total	Dev	%Dev	Hisp	%Hisp	HVAP	%HVAP	Black	%Black	BVAP	%BVAP	Other	Other%	OVAP	OVAP%	VAP
D1	Proposed	14214	61	0.43%	6395	45.01%	3939	40.92%	4772	33.57%	3256	33.80%	164	1.15%	114	1.18%	9627
	Existing	10969	-3184	-22.50%	4999	45.57%	3055	41.40%	3683	33.58%	2527	34.25%	111	1.01%	74	1.00%	7379
D2	Proposed	13721	-432	-3.05%	10234	74.59%	6597	70.89%	1288	9.39%	887	9.53%	108	0.79%	88	0.95%	9306
	Existing	11054	-3099	-21.90%	8502	76.91%	5531	73.83%	1023	9.25%	706	9.42%	70	0.63%	57	0.76%	7492
D3	Proposed	14307	154	1.09%	3907	27.29%	2306	22.05%	1022	7.15%	653	6.26%	226	1.58%	167	1.60%	10459
	Existing	12970	-1183	-8.36%	3524	27.17%	2111	22.10%	877	6.76%	548	5.74%	182	1.40%	137	1.43%	9550
D4	Proposed	13775	-378	-2.67%	4550	33.48%	2923	28.51%	2497	17.94%	1716	16.62%	653	4.74%	525	5.01%	10474
	Existing	13601	-552	-3.90%	5251	38.61%	3314	33.01%	2631	19.34%	1857	18.50%	613	4.51%	489	4.87%	10040
D5	Proposed	14510	357	2.52%	5110	34.81%	3102	30.38%	2810	19.19%	1859	18.33%	536	3.69%	378	3.78%	10004
	Existing	21152	6999	49.45%	7163	33.86%	4388	29.40%	4050	19.15%	2690	18.02%	717	3.39%	519	3.48%	14927
D6	Proposed	13716	-437	-3.09%	4075	32.22%	1977	26.90%	1400	9.89%	899	9.13%	334	2.44%	224	2.34%	9557
	Existing	17103	2950	20.84%	5346	31.26%	3114	25.94%	1744	10.20%	1124	9.36%	402	2.35%	278	2.32%	12004
D7	Proposed	13895	-258	-1.82%	5329	37.89%	3217	32.06%	2009	14.22%	1322	13.14%	329	2.37%	243	2.46%	9890
	Existing	12223	-1930	-13.64%	5411	44.27%	3268	38.31%	1762	14.42%	1154	13.53%	261	2.14%	189	2.22%	8531
Total		98138			39600	40.57%	24061	35.44%	15798	15.92%	10592	15.17%	2350	2.39%	1739	2.51%	69317
ideal		14153															
top-to-bottom	Proposed			5.61%													
	Existing			71.95%													

This table was created by Dr. Stein's group and compares the current ethnicity of the proposed board districts to the ethnicity of those same district boundaries in the year 2000. The description of each column is as follows: **1st**, district #; **2nd**, proposed and existing district; **3rd**, total population of the proposed new and existing district; **4th**, the deviation in population from the ideal district size; **5th**, the deviation as a percentage of the population in the proposed and existing district; **6th**, the number of Hispanics in the proposed and existing district; **7th**, the percentage of Hispanics in the proposed and existing district; **8th**, the number of Hispanic voting age population (HVAP) in the proposed and existing district; **9th**, the percentage of HVAP in the proposed and existing district; **10th**, the number of African Americans in the proposed and existing district; **11th**, the percentage of African Americans in the proposed and existing district; **12th**, the number of African American voting age population (BVAP) in the proposed and existing district; **13th**, the percentage of BVAP in the proposed and existing district; **14th**, the number of voters identified as "other" in the proposed and existing district; **15th**, the percentage of "other" in the proposed and existing district; **16th**, the number of "other" voting age population (OVAP) in the proposed and existing district; **17th**, the percentage of OVAP in the proposed and existing district; and **18th**, the total voting age population in the proposed and existing district.

**RECOGNITIONS
AND
ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS**



GOOSE CREEK CONSOLIDATED INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

SUZANNE FERRELL, GOOSE CREEK CISD HEAD LIBRARIAN
HORACE MANN JUNIOR SCHOOL

The GCCISD school library program would like to honor our 2011-2012 board members for their dedication and support of our students, staff, and administration. We thank the board members for their accomplishments and continuous efforts on behalf of GCCISD.

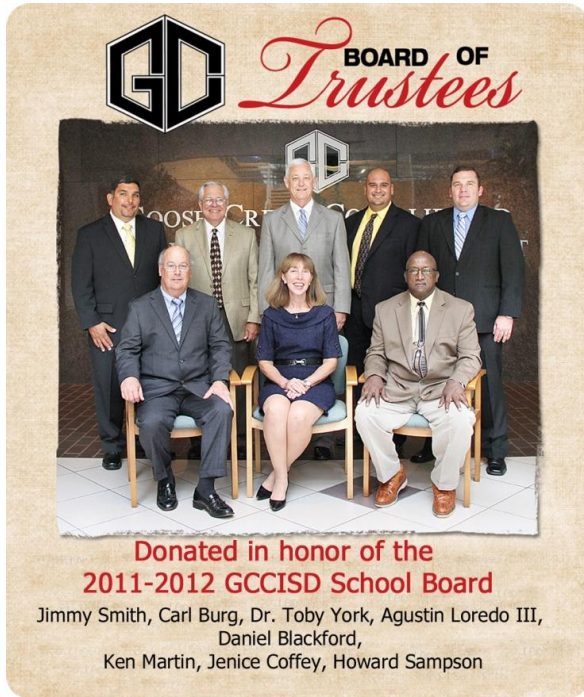
We would like to place in each school library both a print book and an e-book in honor of our board members.

ALAMO	<u>Early Explorers of Texas</u> by Greg Roza
ASHBEL SMITH	<u>The Crossing: How George Washington Saved the American Revolution</u> by Jim Murphy
AUSTIN	<u>The Underground Gators</u> by Tina Casey
BOWIE	<u>The Last Leopard</u> by Lauren St. John
CARVER	<u>May I help you? Kids Talk About Caring</u> by Pamela Hill Nettleton
CROCKETT	<u>Learning Green: Careers in Education</u> by Suzy Gazlay
DEZAVALA	<u>Manners Mash-Up, a Goofy Guide to Good Behavior</u> by Tedd Arnold
HIGHLANDS	<u>The Miraculous Journey of Edward Tulane</u> by Kate DiCamillo
HARLEM	<u>Mirror Mirror: a Book of Reversible Verse</u> by Marilyn Singer
HOPPER	<u>Why Did The Chicken Cross The Road? Fourteen Artists Answer the Famous Question</u> by Tedd Arnold
LAMAR	<u>Amazing Faces</u> by Lee Bennett Hopkins
SAN JACINTO	<u>Peas</u> by Keith Baker
LMNO	<u>Late for School</u> by Stephanie Calmenson
TRAVIS	<u>The Best Time to Read</u> by Debbie Bertram & Susan Bloom
V. WALKER	
CEDAR BAYOU	<u>The Scorch Trials</u> by James Dashner
BAYTOWN	<u>Cooking for Guys</u> by Tod Dimmick
GENTRY	<u>Harriet Ross Tubman</u> by Don Troy
HIGHLANDS	<u>Jeremy Fink and the Meaning of Life</u> by Wendy Mass
HORACE MANN	<u>The Britannica Guide to Explorers and Explorations that Changed the Modern World</u> by Britannica Educational
LEE	<u>Milestone Documents of American Leaders: Exploring the Primary Sources of Notable Americans</u> by - Schlager Group
STERLING	<u>Great American Documents</u> compiled by Michael Young
MEMORIAL	<u>Letters to a Young Teacher</u> by Jonathan Kozol



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Elementary School E-Book

Battle of the Books

Middle School E-Book

Go Straight to the Source-
Primary and Secondary Sources

High School E-Book

Fiske Real College Essays That
Work

Additional books donated by individual campuses:

On behalf of Ashbel Smith Elementary School we would like to recognize and donate a book in the Board’s name in appreciation of Board Recognition. The name of the book is National Geographic Little Kids: First Big Book of Dinosaurs by National Geographic.

On behalf of San Jacinto Junior School we would like to recognize and donate a book in the Board’s name in appreciation of Board Recognition. The name of the book is Totally Wonderful Miss Plumberry by Michael Rosen.

On behalf of Highlands Junior School we would like to recognize and donate a book in the Board’s name in appreciation of Board Recognition. The name of the book is Chicken Soup for the Kid's Soul: 101 stories of courage, hope and laughter: compiled by Jack Canfield.

On behalf of Baytown Junior School we would like to recognize and donate a book in the Board’s name in appreciation of Board Recognition. The name of the book is Reluctant Heroes, True Five-Minute-Read Adventure Stories for Boys by Kendall Haven.

On behalf of Horace Mann Junior School we would like to recognize and donate a book in the Board’s name in appreciation of Board Recognition. The name of the book is The First Lunar Landing by Dennis Fraden.

On behalf of Sterling High School we would like to recognize and donate a book in the Board’s name in appreciation of Board Recognition. The names of the book are Secrets of the FBI-Kessler, Material World-Menzel, Encyclopedia of Chemistry-Rittner, Hispanic Literature of the United States-Kanellos, World Religions-Pollock, Elements-Gray, and Words That Changed the World-Vilade.

CITIZENS' PARTICIPATION

Citizens who have registered with the recording secretary may address the Board on matters other than the character of any student, staff, or Board member. The item addressed by the speaker may not have been posted in accordance with the Texas Open Meetings Law. Board members may only listen to the individual's statement and may not discuss the item with the patron or take action on any matter not on the agenda. Each individual heard shall be allotted no more than five minutes for the presentations; however, if more than six citizens register to address the Board, more time may be given by a majority vote of the Board.

Meeting of the Board of Trustees
GOOSE CREEK CONSOLIDATED INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT
Baytown, Texas

December 12, 2011

The Board of Trustees and the Administrative Staff of the Goose Creek Consolidated Independent School District met in a Regular Board Meeting on Monday, December 12, 2011, in the Board Room of the Administration Building, 4544 Interstate 10, 6:30 p.m., with the following Board members present:

PRESENT: Ms. Jenice Coffey, President; Mr. Howard Sampson, Vice President; Mr. Daniel Blackford, Secretary; Mr. Jimmy Smith, Assistant Secretary; Mr. Carl Burg; Mr. Agustin Loreda, and Ken Martin

ABSENT: None

OPENING EXERCISE

The Opening Exercise for the December 12, 2011, Board Meeting was given by De Zavala Elementary School students. The pledges were led by Chris Roth and Kyleigh Motley. Board President Jenice Coffey asked for a Moment of Silence and gave the prayer.

The following fourth- and fifth-grade students who performed the 50's style "Rocking Around The Christmas Tree" were: Luke Hebert, Jackson May, Wesley Lawhon, Ramon Gomez, Chris Roth, Kiana Morris, Haley Hallman, Katherine Talent, Victoria Alvarez, Kyleigh Motley

The students were under the direction of assistant principal Ms. Betty Baca and music teacher Ms. Amber Whitten.

PUBLIC HEARING

ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE INDICATOR SYSTEM (AEIS) ANNUAL REPORT

The Board held a public hearing on the District's Academic Excellence Indicator System (AEIS) Annual Report.

Executive Director of Curriculum and Instruction Diana Cox, Deputy Superintendent of Administrative Services Byron Terrier, and Chief Financial Officer Pete Pape presented oral and PowerPoint presentations regarding the AEIS Analysis System Annual Report. Ms. Cox said access to the full report is on the TEA and District web sites.

The public hearing was adjourned at approximately 6:57 p.m.

RECOGNITIONS AND ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

Goose Creek CISD Resolution in Memory of Coach Robert L. Strayhan

The Board approved a resolution in memory of Coach Robert L. Strayhan. Coach Strayhan was an outstanding educator and Carver High School coach.

2011 Gold Performance Acknowledgement

The Board of Trustees recognized 18 Goose Creek CISD campuses who were named to the 2011 Gold Performance Acknowledgement. The “Gold Performance Acknowledgement System” acknowledges districts and campuses for high performance on indicators other than those used to determining accountability ratings.

Athletic Honors for Volleyball

The Board of Trustees recognized the following student for her accomplishments in volleyball.

Ceannia Kincade	Goose Creek Memorial High School	19-4A District Most Valuable Player, Texas Girls Coaching Association All State Team, Academic All-District
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The Goose Creek Memorial student is under the direction of Coach Misti Clark.

Resolutions:

1. Goose Creek Memorial High School Volleyball Team

The Board of trustees approved a resolution recognizing the outstanding achievement of the Goose Creek Memorial High School volleyball Team and coaches who are the Bi-District Champion and Area Finalist.

2. Ross S. Sterling High School Volleyball Team

The Board of Trustees approved a resolution recognizing the outstanding achievement of the Ross S. Sterling High School Volleyball Team and coaches who are the Bi-District Champion, Area Finalist, and Received the American Volleyball Coaches Association Team Academic Award in the 2011 Volleyball Playoffs.

CITIZENS PARTICIPATION

No one registered to address the Board of Trustees.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

November 14, 2011, Regular Board Meeting

Mr. Martin moved and Mr. Sampson seconded the motion **THAT THE BOARD APPROVE THE NOVEMBER 14, 2011, REGULAR BOARD MEETING AS REVISED.** The motion passed with Ms. Coffey, Mr. Sampson, Mr. Blackford, Mr. Smith, Mr. Burg, and Mr. Martin voting for the motion. Mr. Loredo abstained.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

1. Ms. Toni Trumbull, School District Representative for School Districts in Harris County other than Houston ISD on the Harris County Appraisal District Board of Directors

Ms. Toni Trumbull thanked the Board for their vote and came to answer any questions the Board of Trustees may have. She briefly gave her credentials. She has been representing this Board for 6 years. She was the tax assessor for 31 years for Spring ISD. She has been very active in the education of tax professionals and works with the state and various stages of legislative changes. She keeps up to date on all changes to assist the assessors and jurisdiction that she represents.

2. Senate Bill 1489 – Judge Don Coffey, Harris County Justice of the Peace for Precinct 3, Place 2

Judge Don Coffey, Harris County Justice of the Peace for Precinct 3, Place 2 gave the Board of Trustees a report regarding the legislative changes of Senate Bill 1489. Judge Coffey explained the process of filings from Goose Creek. He explained the procedures he has placed to assist the students of Goose Creek.

ACTION ITEMS

8363. CONSIDERATION OF ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE INDICATOR SYSTEM (AEIS) ANNUAL REPORT

Mr. Burg moved and Mr. Blackford seconded the motion **THAT THE BOARD ACCEPT THE ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE INDICATOR SYSTEM REPORT AS PRESENTED.** The motion passed with Ms. Coffey, Mr. Sampson, Mr. Blackford, Mr. Smith, Mr. Burg, Mr. Loredo, and Mr. Martin voting for the motion.

8364. CONSIDERATION OF FOREIGN TRADE ZONE AGREEMENT WITH AMERIPORT, LLC

Mr. Loredo moved and Mr. Smith seconded the motion **THAT THE BOARD APPROVE THE FOREIGN TRADE ZONE AGREEMENT WITH AMERIPORT, LLC.** The motion passed with Ms. Coffey, Mr. Sampson, Mr. Blackford, Mr. Smith, Mr. Burg, Mr. Loredo, and Mr. Martin voting for the motion.

8365. CONSIDERATION OF FIRST READING OF REVISED BOARD POLICY CDA (LOCAL); OTHER REVENUES; INVESTMENTS

Mr. Burg moved and Mr. Martin seconded the motion **THAT THE BOARD APPROVE FIRST READING OF REVISIONS TO BOARD POLICY CDA (LOCAL); OTHER REVENUES; INVESTMENTS REGARDING CHANGES.** The motion passed with Ms. Coffey, Mr. Sampson, Mr. Blackford, Mr. Smith, Mr. Burg, Mr. Loredo, and Mr. Martin voting for the motion.

8366. CONSIDERATION OF MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING (MOU) BETWEEN J.P. MORGAN CHASE BANK, N.A. AND GOOSE CREEK CISD

Mr. Smith moved and Mr. Martin seconded the motion **THAT THE BOARD APPROVE THE MEMORANDUM OF UNDERTANDING FOR GOOSE CREEK CISD'S EXECUTION OF THE STANDARD DOMESTIC CUSTODY AGREEMENT REQUESTED BY J.P. MORGAN CHASE BANK.** The motion passed with Ms. Coffey, Mr. Sampson, Mr. Blackford, Mr. Smith, Mr. Burg, Mr. Loredo, and Mr. Martin voting for the motion.

8367. CONSIDERATION OF CONSENT AGENDA

- 1. CONVEYANCE OF PROPERTY TO HARRIS COUNTY**
- 2. DONATION FROM MR. GREG DEL FATTI**
- 3. RENEWAL OF MOMPETITIVE SEALED PROPOSALS (CSP)**
 - a. GENERAL CARPENTRY CONTRACTOR SERVICES**
 - b. SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT**
- 4. TAX REFUND**
- 5. BUDGET AMENDMENTS**

Mr. Blackford moved and Mr. Burg seconded the motion **THAT THE BOARD APPROVE CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS 2 THROUGH 6 AS PRESENT IN THE BOARD PACKET.** The motion passed with Ms. Coffey, Mr. Sampson, Mr. Blackford, Mr. Smith, Mr. Burg, Mr. Loreda, and Mr. Martin voting for the motion.

1. **Item 8. E. 1. Conveyance of Property to Harris County, was pulled from the consent agenda and voted on separately.**

2. **DONATION FROM MR. GREG DEL FATTI**

The Board accepted the donation from Greg Del Fatti in the amount of \$15,780.00. Each school will receive between \$100 and \$1500 depending on their campus budget this year as well as overall need.

3. **RENEWAL OF COMPETITIVE SEALED PROPOSALS (CSP)**

- A. **GENERAL CARPENTRY CONTRACTOR SERVICES**

The Board approved to renew for one (1) additional year the General Carpentry Contractor Services contract awarded to Chatham Construction Company as primary vendor and Primetime Resources as secondary vendor.

- B. **SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT**

The Board approved the renewal of Hotchkiss Disposal Services as primary vendor for Solid Waste Management Services.

4. **TAX REFUND**

The Board approved the tax refund in the amount of \$27,693.36 for AT&T Mobility LLC and in accordance with Section 31.11 State Property Code with provision that no taxes are owed by the referenced parties on my account.

5. **BUDGET AMENDMENT**

The Board approved Amendment No. 6 as stated in Section 23.47 of the Texas Education Code and reflect the amendment in the official minutes of the Board of Trustees.

Amendment No. 6

This amendment to increase revenues and appropriations of \$10,915,272 in the District’s Debt Service fund was requested by Pete Pape, Chief Financial Officer, to incorporate into the District’s books and records funds for the series 2011 Unlimited Tax Refunding Bonds.

1. CONVEYANCE OF PROPERTY TO HARRIS COUNTY

Mr. Martin moved and Mr. Burg seconded the motion **THAT THE BOARD APPROVE THE RECOMMENDATION TO DONATE BY CONVEYANCE THE ATTACHED DESCRIBED PROPERTY BY SPECIAL WARRANTY DEED TO HARRIS COUNTY FOR THE EXPANSION OF WALLISVILLE ROAD TO FIVE LANES FROM GARTH TO NORTH MAIN STREET.** The motion passed with Ms. Coffey, Mr. Blackford, Mr. Smith, Mr. Burg, Mr. Loredo, and Mr. Martin voting for the motion. Mr. Sampson abstained

8368. CONSIDERATION OF REPORT ON BOARD TRAINING CREDIT HOURS

Board President Coffey read the number of training hours for the record. The Board President is required to announce the name of each Board member who has completed the required continuing education, who has exceeded the required hours of continuing education, and who is deficient in the required continuing education. This is an annual report required in December and in February.

2011 BOARD TRAINING

BOARD MEMBER	TIER 1 HOURS (Texas Education Code)	TIER 2 HOURS Team-Building	TIER 3 HOURS Continuing Education	TOTAL HOURS
Jenice Coffey	3.0	3.0	15.50	21.50
Howard Sampson	2.0	3.0	20.50	25.50
Carl Burg	2.0	3.0	16.50	21.50
Jimmy Smith	3.0	3.0	15.50	21.50
Daniel Blackford	3.0	3.0	20.25	26.25
Agustin Loredo	2.0	0.0	10.50	12.50
Ken Martin	2.0	3.0	25.25	30.25

TIER I: Three hours in the Texas Education Code (TEC) for newly-elected or appointed Board members.

Two hours in Update to Texas Education Code (TEC) for Board Members in subsequent years of service.

TIER II: Three to six hours in Team-Building Skills.

TIER III: Ten hours in Continuing Education for new Board members. Five hours in Continuing Education for Board members in subsequent years of service.

8369. FUTURE BOARD AGENDA ITEMS
BOARD TRAINING
BOARD MEETINGS

Future Board Agenda Items

- Redistricting Public Hearing, Jan. 23
- Transportation Report, Jan. 23
- STARR, Early February Workshop
- College Forward, February
- Standardize Dress, February
- Update TEA Visit, Jan. 23
- Discuss Teacher Term Contracts
- Update ECHS

Board Training

Did not discuss Board training.

Board Meetings/Workshops

- January 9, 2012, Workshop – Financial Litigation, Public Education Grant (PEG), and Long Range Facilities
- January 12, 2012, Special Meeting with Closed Session for Superintendent's Formative Evaluation

CLOSED MEETING

At approximately 8:06 p.m., President Jenice Coffey recessed the Regular Meeting into a Closed Meeting with the following statement:

“This Board will now recess into Closed Session pursuant to the following sections of the Texas Open Meetings Act: 551.071, Private consultation with the Board’s attorney; 551.072, Discussing purchase, exchange, lease, or value of real property; 551.074, Discussion personnel or to hear complaints against personnel. No action will be taken while the Board is in Closed Meeting.”

Board Reconvenes into Regular Session

At approximately 8:29 p.m., the Board reconvened into Regular Session with President Jenice Coffey presiding. No action was taken while in Closed Session.

8370. CONSIDERATION OF PERSONNEL

Personnel Action:

Mr. Smith moved and Mr. Sampson seconded the motion **THAT THE BOARD APPROVE THE ELECTION AS PRESENTED IN THE BOARD PACKET**. The motion passed with Ms. Coffey, Mr. Sampson, Mr. Blackford, Mr. Smith, Mr. Burg, Mr. Loreda, and Mr. Martin voting for the motion.

Elections Approved:

1. Mercedes Paul-Green, Cedar Bayou School

ADJOURNMENT

President Coffey adjourned the Board Meeting at approximately 8:30 p.m.

Meeting of the Board of Trustees
GOOSE CREEK CONSOLIDATED INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT
Baytown, Texas

January 9, 2012

The Board of Trustees and the Administrative Staff of the Goose Creek Consolidated Independent School District met in a Regular Meeting/Board Workshop on Monday, January 9, 2012, in the Board Room of the Administration Building, 4544 Interstate 10, 6:30 p.m., with the following Board Members present:

PRESENT: Ms. Jenice Coffey, President; Mr. Howard Sampson, Vice President; Mr. Daniel Blackford, Secretary; Mr. Jimmy Smith, Assistant Secretary; Mr. Carl Burg; Mr. Agustin Loreda; and Ken Martin

ABSENT: None

OPENING EXERCISE

Board President Jenice Coffey asked for a Moment of Silence and led the prayer. Board Vice President Howard Sampson led the Pledges of Allegiance to the United States and Texas flags.

RECOGNITIONS AND ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

The Board of Trustees recognized the following students for their exceptional achievement on the college-level Advanced Placement (AP) Examinations.

Students take AP Exams in May after completing challenging college-level courses at their high schools. The College Board recognizes several levels of achievement based on the number of yearlong courses and exams (or their equivalent semester-long courses and exams).

The College Board, in recognition of their exceptional achievement on the college-level Advanced Placement (AP) Examinations, has named 77 of our Goose Creek students as AP Scholars:

AP Scholar Award- students qualified by completing three or more AP Exams, with grades of 3 or higher.

GOOSE CREEK MEMORIAL HIGH SCHOOL

Ryan Armstrong
Taylor Cook
Tarun Jain
Jacob Ratliff
Haley Tompkins

Jacob Bailey
Tanner Hilyard
Gregory Javois
Courtney Spann
Shelbi Wallace

Alyssa Clift
Alexander Hunt
Sterling Poth
Logan Spurgeon

ROBERT E. LEE HIGH SCHOOL

<i>Luis Cantu</i>	<i>Jose Carrillo</i>	<i>Zachery Carter</i>
<i>Morgan Curry</i>	<i>Mirza Fuentes</i>	<i>Jose Garcia</i>
<i>Travis Goss</i>	<i>Zabdi Guzman</i>	<i>Kaitlyn Martin</i>
<i>Joel Mendez</i>	<i>Emily Pohr</i>	<i>Alec Reeves</i>
<i>Aditi Singh</i>	<i>Andra Steele</i>	<i>Melissa Taylor</i>
<i>Hector Vela</i>	<i>Christopher D. Williams</i>	

ROSS S. STERLING HIGH SCHOOL

<i>Janci Addison</i>	<i>Lance Angelle</i>	<i>Rida Ashraf</i>
<i>Tiffani Branch</i>	<i>Colt Campbell</i>	<i>Luis Davila</i>
<i>Jacki Delgado</i>	<i>Selina Duran</i>	<i>Alyssa Gainer</i>
<i>Taylor Gamez</i>	<i>Morgan Garvey</i>	<i>Julie Gomez</i>
<i>Sirena Gutierrez</i>	<i>Madison Hayes</i>	<i>Morgan Hollingsworth</i>
<i>Thomas Lagrone</i>	<i>Zachary Martin</i>	<i>Alejandra Martinez</i>
<i>Michael Miller</i>	<i>Pricila Nolasco</i>	<i>Daniel Norris</i>
<i>Madison Pepper</i>	<i>Nicholas Pequeno</i>	<i>Catherine Poepsel</i>
<i>Sonali Rahlon</i>	<i>Stephanie Sandoval-Rodriguez</i>	<i>Steele Seeley</i>
<i>Rachel Smith</i>	<i>Jarrod Strokos</i>	<i>Jeshua Watts</i>

AP Scholar with Honor Award- students earned an average grade of at least 3.25 on all AP Exams and grades of 3 or higher on four or more of these exams.

GOOSE CREEK MEMORIAL HIGH SCHOOL

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ROBERT E. LEE HIGH SCHOOL

<i>Jennifer Epperson</i>	<i>Justin Mincks</i>	<i>James Voytek</i>
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ROSS S. STERLING HIGH SCHOOL

<i>Farah Ashraf</i>	<i>Sam Vallagomesa</i>
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AP Scholar with Distinction Award- students earned an average grade of at least 3.5 on all AP Exams and grades of 3 or higher on five or more of these exams.

GOOSE CREEK MEMORIAL HIGH SCHOOL

<i>Juan Medina</i>	<i>Rajdeepsingh Waghela</i>
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ROBERT E. LEE HIGH SCHOOL

Raven Graves

ROSS S. STERLING HIGH SCHOOL

Joseph Anthony

Kaitlyn Gainer

Lauren Gainer

Clarita Hernandez

Megan Jordan

Jarrold Odom

Thayer Walmsley

CITIZENS PARTICIPATION

There was no one to register to address the Board of Trustees.

ITEMS OF DISCUSSION/ACTION

8371. DISCUSSION OF SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORTS

- 1. BOARD OF TRUSTEES REDISTRICTING**
- 2. PUBLIC EDUCATION GRANT**

BOARD OF TRUSTEES REDISTRICTING

The Board of Trustees heard a presentation regarding the Board of Trustees Redistricting given by Pete Cote, Executive Director of Support Services and Special Projects.

After a brief discussion with the Board regarding the new maps of their proposed districts, one discrepancy was noted. On the map for District 6, the eastern boundary of the proposed takes in the Houston Raceway Park and the small trailer park to the south of it; however, Goose Creek does not serve the students in the trailer park (they attend Barbers Hill ISD).

Mr. Cote will contact Dr. Bob Stein to make the noted adjustment on the map.

PUBLIC EDUCATION GRANT

The Board of Trustees heard a presentation regarding the Public Education Grant (PEG) presented by Ms. Suzanne Heinrich, Executive Director of School Administration, and Dr. Patty Bing, Director of Student Services. Ms. Heinrich explained the process used to notify parents of the option to transfer their child from a campus that has been rated academically unacceptable. The following is the PEG time line presented:

- January 5, 2012 – Robert E. Lee letters sent home through U.S. Mail (English and Spanish)
- January 5, 2012 – Incoming 8th-grade students to Robert E. Lee – letters sent home through U.S. Mail (English and Spanish)
- January 5, 2012 – James Bowie letters sent home with report cards (English and Spanish)

- January 6, 2012 – Mail letter from Superintendent to parents
- January 9, 2012 – Board Workshop campus parent meetings
- January 12, 2012 – Robert E. Lee – 5:30 p.m.
Attendees: Dr. Toby York, Suzanne Heinrich, Diana Cox, Dr. Patty Bing, Director of Athletics, Campus Administrative Staff, Campus ILT, Campus Athletic Coordinator, Internal SIT Coach
- January 12, 2012 – James Bowie Elementary – 7:00 p.m.
Attendees: Dr. Toby York, Suzanne Heinrich, Diana Cox, Dr. Patty Bing, Internal SIT Coach (There will be a Spanish speaking interpreter and headphones available at both Meetings.)
- January 13, 2012 – Forms available for pick up from campus
- January 13, 2012 – Database will be set up to track transfer requests
- February 3, 2012 – Deadline for parents to return forms to GCCISD administration Building, to Executive Director of School Administration or Director of Student Services
- March 1, 2012 – Determination on transfer requests
- March 1, 2012 – Confirmation letter sent from Director of Student Services to parents

**8372. FUTURE BOARD AGENDA ITEMS
BOARD TRAINING
BOARD MEETINGS**

Future Board Agenda Items

- Audit Report, January 23, 2012
- Standardize dress, early March

Board Meetings

- Mr. Jimmy Smith and Mr. Howard Sampson will attend the Audit Committee Meeting Thursday, January 12, 2012, 5:30 p.m.

At approximately 7:20 p.m., the Board moved into a Board Workshop on Texas Public School Finance Litigation.

**WORKSHOP
Texas Public School Finance Litigation**

The Board of Trustees met in a workshop immediately after the Regular Board Meeting to hear presentations from two attorneys regarding the Texas Public School Finance Litigation; Mark Trachtenberg, Haynes and Boone LLP, and David Thompson with Thompson and Horton, LLP presented to the Board. Both attorneys explained their claims in the lawsuits filed. They each encourage every district to get involved in the public litigation in Texas.

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ADJOURNMENT

Board President Jenice Coffey adjourned the Board Workshop at approximately 8:16 p.m.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORTS

- 1. GCCISD Transportation Update**
- 2. GCCISD Long Range Facilities Plan Update**

Superintendent's Report

GCCISD Transportation Department

Overview 2011



Personnel Information

	<u>2010</u>	<u>2011</u>
■ Employees in dept.	249	223
■ Full-time drivers	157	149
■ Part-time drivers	18	13
■ Monitors	60	47
■ Shop Employees	11	11
■ Supervisors	3	3

Operations Information

<u>Regular Education Routes</u>	<u>2010</u>	<u>2011</u>
■ Buses assigned (total routes)	109	98
■ Elementary runs	118	106
■ Junior school runs	71	67
■ High school runs	58	59
■ IMPACT runs	4	6
■ Pre-K runs	28	25
■ Stuart Career Center shuttles	26	3
■ IMPACT shuttles	0	1
Total regular runs	305	267

Operations Information(continued)

Regular Education Bus Rider Statistics

<u>Campus</u>	<u>2010</u>	<u>2011</u>	<u>%Change</u>
Elementary	4,810	5,577	15.95%
Jr. High	3,205	3,053	- 4.74%
High School	2,593	2,520	- 2.82%
Total	10,608	11,150	5.11%

<u>Special Education Routes</u>	<u>2010</u>	<u>2011</u>
■ Special Education routes	45	38
■ Special Education runs	180	170
■ Special needs ridership	418	451

Operations Information(continued)

Extra-curricular/Co-Curricular Service Statistics

- 2010 total fieldtrips provided 1,383

Student Referrals for Inappropriate Behavior

- 2010 total referrals 3,950

Bus Information

<u>Number of Buses by Age</u>	<u>2010</u>	<u>2011</u>
1 – 5 years old	94	78
6 – 10 years old	64	83
10+ years old	41	35
Total	197	196

<u>Cameras on Buses</u>	<u>2010</u>	<u>2011</u>
3 per bus	0	192
2 per bus	4	4

Bus Information (continued)

Air Conditioning Status

- Regular education buses with air conditioning 55
- Special education buses with air conditioning..... 40

Notable Departmental Highlights

- All buses now have DVR camera systems
- All student referrals are reported and recorded on line
- All field trips are recorded and billed in centralized data base soon to be requested via online intranet for campus staff
- Ideal optimization of resources and staff through route redesign, 2011 school zone process, and school start time changes
- Online parental bus information lookup
 - 19,228 address lookups since Aug 2011
- Recipient of nine new buses via HGAC grant
- School bus repair orders and maintenance logs are now all reported and logged via electronic data base

Notable Departmental Highlights

DPS 2011 Stop Arm Violation Study

GCCISD

Vehicles that Passed our Buses in One Day

206

78 Separate Incidences, Multiple Autos

AM	Midday	PM
35	5	38
Passed Bus from Opposite Direction	Passed Bus from Rear, Same Direction on Left	
51	27	
Total Passed on the Left Side of the Bus	Passed on the Right Side of the Bus (door side)	
77	1	

Seat Belt Information

Number of regular education

buses with seat belts 11 buses

Capacity of regular education

buses with seat belts 55 passengers

Seat Belt Information(continued)

How are buses with seat belts used?

- 6 – Impact/PH runs where ridership averages 20-25 students
- 1 – SCGC
- 1 – High Point
- 2 – Regular education routes; 1 serves Tri-City Beach Road area where the student ridership is lower than average
- 1 – long-distance field trips and extra-curricular activities

How do we compel students to wear belts?

- Administrative Guideline 6.02
- Signage on buses
- Driver memos
- Referral notifications
- Fliers containing seat belt rules for daily riders of these buses

Seat Belt Information(continued)

What are the Potential Benefits to GCCISD?

- Potential safety benefit for bus riders in a head-on crash
- Potential safety benefit for bus riders when bus strikes a fixed object (tree, pole, or bridge abutment)
- Student discipline referrals should decrease because students are remaining in their seats
- Potential increased support from parents and community who currently misinterpret the safety record of school buses

Seat Belt Information(continued)

What are the Potential Negative Impacts to GCCISD?

- Seat belts have not provided a significant increase in the safety of bus riders.
 - **National Highway Traffic Safety Administration**
 - NHTSA has been repeatedly asked to require belts on buses, and has repeatedly concluded that compartmentalization provides a high level of safety protection that obviates the need for a Federal requirement necessitating the installation of seat belts....
 - NHTSA, Aug 27, 2011, "We are denying the petition because we have not found a safety problem supporting a Federal requirement for lap/shoulder belts on large school buses, which are already very safe. The decision to install seat belts on school buses should be left to State and local jurisdictions, which can weigh the need for, benefits and consequences of installing belts on large school buses and best, decide whether their particular pupil transportation programs merit installation of the devices,"

Seat Belt Information(continued)

What are the Potential Negative Impacts to GCCISD?

- Seat belts have not provided a significant increase in the safety of bus riders.
 - **National Transportation Safety Board**
 - “In 1989, the NAS completed a study of ways to improve school bus safety and concluded that the overall potential benefits of requiring seat belts on large school buses were insufficient to justify a Federal mandate for installation. [3] NAS also stated that the funds used to purchase and maintain seat belts might be better spent on other school bus safety programs and devices that could save more lives and reduce more injuries.”
 - **Alabama Study (Brown and Turner 2009)**
 - “Costs far exceed benefits, and school bus seat belts are not as cost effective as other types of safety treatments.”

Seat Belt Information(continued)

What are the Potential Negative Impacts to GCCISD?

- Seat belts decrease the capacity of our buses (71 passenger) by 30% down to 55. For every three buses we buy with seat belts, we'll have to buy an additional seat-belted bus to recover the lost capacity.
- Due to current efficiencies in ridership the need for additional buses and drivers would be immediate due to at least one tier on every route transporting more students than a seat-belted bus capacity allows.

Seat Belt Information(continued)

What are the Potential Negative Impacts to GCCISD?

- Because we'll have to purchase more seat-belted buses to replace the capacity lost with seat-belted buses, our operating costs will increase.
 - \$3,058,671 in additional buses over five years
 - \$644,000 (conservatively) additional in yearly increased operating costs of additional routes (23) and drivers. This is for replacement of existing buses not those needed for growth.

Seat Belt Information(continued)

What are the Potential Negative Impacts to GCCISD?

- No cost-effective way to ensure students are wearing seat belts
- Removing non-compliant students for seat belt violations has the potential for greater risk of safety than the seat belt would provide.
- Other more immediate ways to provide increased protection, safety and service (driver training, student/community education, fleet modernization, GPS based student to parent notification, and monitors on regular education buses) may go unrealized or explored due to greater budget restraints.



GOOSE CREEK CONSOLIDATED INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

BYRON P. TERRIER, Ed.D.

DEPUTY SUPERINTENDENT
ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES

January 3, 2012

TO: DR. TOBY YORK
FROM: DR. BYRON TERRIER
SUBJECT: RECOMMENDATION FOR LONG RANGE FACILITIES PLAN
TIMELINE

Please consider the following recommendation for the Long Range Facilities Plan timeline:

February 2012

Assemble a district committee which includes principals, directors, executive directors, deputy superintendent and a representative from VLK and Jacobs.

This committee will define and build a draft Long Range Facilities Plan.

March 2012

Assemble a community advisory committee which includes members from the previous CBAC committee with knowledge of our current facilities and previous bond.

This committee will receive an overview of the draft Long Range Facilities Plan and will provide feedback to the district committee.

April 2012

The district committee will evaluate feedback/input from the community committee and develop an updated draft of the Long Range Facilities Plan.

May 2012

The updated draft will be presented to the Board of Trustees for consideration.

If you have questions or concerns, please let me know.

SCHOOL BOARD AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY

January 23, 2012

**SUBJECT: CONSIDERATION OF THE FISCAL YEAR 2010-2011 FINANCIAL
AUDIT REPORT [Under Separate Cover]**

RECOMMENDED ACTION: To approve the 2010-2011 annual financial audit report.

RATIONALE: The Board will review the 2010-2011 annual financial audit report.

BUDGET PROVISIONS / ACTION REQUIRED: Not applicable

RESOURCE PERSONNEL: Dr. Toby York
Mr. Pete Pape
Ms. Stephanie Wright

SCHOOL BOARD AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY

January 23, 2012

SUBJECT: CONSIDERATION OF THE BUDGET CALENDAR FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 2012-2013 BUDGET

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Approve the budget calendar for fiscal year 2012-2013.

RATIONALE: Board approval is needed to adopt the proposed budget calendar in order to proceed with the budget preparation process for the 2012-2013 fiscal year budget.

BUDGET PROVISIONS / ACTION REQUIRED: Not applicable

RESOURCE PERSONNEL: Dr. Toby York
Mr. Pete Pape

Goose Creek CISD
Proposed Budget Calendar
2012-2013 Fiscal Year

Target Date	Activity/Process	Responsibility
January 23, 2012	Approve Budget Calendar (Regular Board Meeting)	Board of Trustees
February 13, 2012	Budget Overview with Board (Board Meeting)	Superintendent and Chief Financial Officer
February 21, 2012	Budget Meeting and Training with Principals and Secretaries	Superintendent and Chief Financial Officer
<i>February 2012</i>	<i>Budget Meeting and Training with Program Managers and Secretaries</i>	<i>Superintendent and Chief Financial Officer</i>
Feb-March 31, 2012	Prepare Staffing Projections and Recommendations	Personnel Department and Budget Committee (Superintendent and Executives)
March 23, 2012	Campus Budgets Due to Business Department	Campus Principals
<i>March 2012</i>	<i>Program Budgets Due to Supervisor</i>	<i>Program Managers</i>
Feb-April 2012	Prepare Enrollment Projections	PEIMS Coordinator and Budget Committee
April 2012	Budget Workshop (Board Meeting)	Superintendent and Chief Financial Officer
April 2, 2012	Business Department Organizes Campus Budgets and Forwards to Executive Directors for Review	Chief Financial Officer
<i>April 13, 2012</i>	<i>Program and Campus Budgets Due to Business Department</i>	<i>Assistant Superintendent or Executive Director</i>

Target Date	Activity/Process	Responsibility
May-June 2012	Present Budget Drafts (Board Workshops & Regular Board Meetings)	Budget Committee and Board of Trustees
August 13 , 2012	Present Hiring Salary Scale for Board Adoption	Superintendent, Deputy Superintendent of Personnel, and Chief Financial Officer
August 2012	Certification of Appraisal Roll and Tax Collection Rates	Director of Tax Services
August 17, 2012	Publish Notice of Public Hearing On Proposed Budget and Tax Rate (Ten days notice required)	Budget Committee
August 20, 2012	Complete Budget	Budget Committee
August 27, 2012	Public Hearing on Proposed Budget and Present Budget for Board Adoption (Regular Board Meeting)	Budget Committee and Board of Trustees
August 31, 2012	Deadline for Budget Adoption	
September 2012	Present Tax Rate for Board Adoption (Regular Board Meeting)	Director of Tax Services

SCHOOL BOARD AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY

January 23, 2012

SUBJECT: CONSIDERATION OF RESOLUTION AND CONSENT WITH THOMPSON AND HORTON LLP

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Administration recommends approval of resolution and consent with Thompson and Horton LLP to represent the school district in litigation to challenge the constitutionality of the existing system of financing public schools in Texas. Approval of retention of the law firm of Thomson and Horton LLP is according to the terms of the engagement letter provided by the Firm.

RATIONALE: The signing of a resolution and consent with Thompson and Horton LLP will enable representation for Goose Creek CISD to join other school districts to participate in litigation to challenge the existing Texas Public School Finance System.

BUDGET PROVISIONS/ACTION REQUIRED: 2011-2012 Budget (\$1 per Student in Weighted Average Daily Attendance (WADA))

RESOURCE PERSONNEL: Dr. Toby York
Mr. Richard Peebles

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October 5, 2011

Dr. Toby York
Superintendent
Goose Creek Consolidated Independent School District
4544 I-10 East
Baytown, TX 77521

Re: School Finance Litigation – Engagement of Thompson & Horton LLP
("Firm")

Dear Dr. York:

We greatly appreciate the opportunity to represent Goose Creek Consolidated Independent School District ("District") in litigation to challenge the constitutionality of the existing system of financing public schools in Texas ("Litigation").

The purpose of this letter is to describe the terms and conditions under which we will represent the District in the Litigation. We will represent the District as part of a broad, diverse group of public school districts that will assert claims aimed at improving the school finance system for all Texas students. Each member of this coalition, including your District, will be kept apprised of and have regular opportunity to provide input into strategy and the course of the Litigation. In addition, after the coalition is formed, a "Litigation Committee" will be formed that will be authorized to make day-to-day decisions that may be needed regarding litigation issues which may arise from time to time and require quick direction.

As you know, this is major litigation involving issues that are critical to the future of public education in Texas. From past litigation and experience, we know that significant resources will be necessary to be successful. From discussions we have had with numerous districts, we anticipate there is sufficient interest among school districts to form this coalition and to adequately support the efforts that will be required by many to be successful.

As a member of this effort, your District will be asked to contribute in various ways. First, we know that Districts have extensive information and expertise in various areas that will be



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necessary to the successful prosecution of this lawsuit. We ask that each District provide a primary contact for the purpose of gathering information, preparing strategy, and responding to discovery that may be asked for during the Litigation.

Second, school finance cases are expensive. The State will have access to extensive resources and has, in the past, used such resources to defend the finance system. In addition to legal fees, a successful case will require top-quality experts and research in numerous areas. We strongly believe it is important to retain the most qualified experts and conduct the most thorough research and studies in order to be successful. As such, each member of the coalition will be asked to contribute to the costs of litigation, which will include legal fees and expenses, expert fees and expenses, and court and litigation costs.

Under this engagement, the District agrees to contribute financially as follows. For the 2011-2012 school district budget year, the District will contribute \$1 per student in weighted average daily attendance (“WADA”), with a maximum contribution per school district of \$65,000. Based on expressed interest level and past experiences, we anticipate that this contribution will fund all legal and expert fees and costs from pre-filing activities through discovery and trial of the case.

In addition, by approving this engagement, the District authorizes a second possible contribution from the 2012-2013 school district budget year, for an amount *up to* an additional \$1 per WADA. This second contribution will be made if necessary to account for any delay strategy by the State, unanticipated issues that arise during the course of litigation, and future appeals.

After authorization of this engagement, your District will be asked to make its initial contribution. Distribution of payments for case costs and expenses will be made as authorized by the Litigation Committee from time to time.

Under any scenario, any contributions that are made over the two budget periods that are not ultimately required will be returned to each district. Moreover, as in past litigation, we will seek to recover attorney fees and costs from the State at the conclusion of the case and, if successful, will return any such recovery to each district on a prorated basis.

We will represent all of the districts in this coalition and certainly do not anticipate any conflict arising between the interests of any districts in our group during this Litigation. However, in any coalition effort, it is important to provide options up-front should such a conflict arise. If a conflict does arise, it may be necessary for Thompson & Horton to withdraw from the representation of one or more districts in this case. If such a situation arises, your District will have the option of (1) withdrawing from further participation in the case or (2) remaining in the case and retaining another lawyer or law firm to represent the District. Whichever option you choose, however, by signing below, you specifically agree (i) not to move to disqualify the Firm from representing other districts in the lawsuit under



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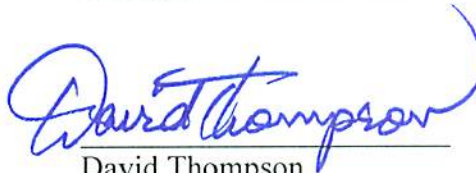
such circumstances and (2) to waive any conflicts that may arise from Thompson & Horton's current or continued representation of other school districts under such circumstances.

If your District's Board of Trustees agrees to these terms and authorizes this engagement by adoption of the Resolution submitted herewith, please have an authorized official sign below and return to us at the address above.

Again, we greatly appreciate the opportunity to represent your District and the coalition in this crucial effort.

Very truly yours,

Thompson & Horton LLP



David Thompson



Philip D. Fraissinet

Goose Creek Consolidated Independent School District
Superintendent of Schools or Other Authorized Official

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**RESOLUTION AND CONSENT OF THE
BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE
GOOSE CREEK CONSOLIDATED INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT**

The Board of Trustees ("Board") of the Goose Creek Consolidated Independent School District ("District") does hereby consent and agree, pursuant to Section 11.151 of the Texas Education Code, that the following resolutions be, and hereby are, adopted by the Board:

WHEREAS the Board believes that the presently existing statutory system for the financing of public education in Texas ("Finance System") has and will continue to impair, unless significantly reformed, the education available to the students within the District as well as the ability of the District to provide an appropriate education to all students within the District; and

WHEREAS the Board deems it in the best interest of the District to seek an end to such impairment through the judicial system; and

WHEREAS the Board deems it in the interest of the District to participate with other school districts to retain the law firm of Thompson & Horton LLP to challenge the Finance System; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the District is hereby authorized to join with other school districts to participate in litigation to challenge the existing Finance System; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the retention of the law firm of Thompson & Horton LLP (the "Firm") be and hereby is authorized and approved for that purpose according to the terms of the engagement letter provided by the Firm; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Firm be, and hereby is, authorized, empowered, and directed to file and prosecute a lawsuit challenging the presently existing statutory system for the financing of public education in Texas; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the expenditure of public funds by the District be and hereby is authorized and approved for that purpose.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Board of Trustees has approved this Resolution as of this ___ day of _____, 2011.

By: _____
Board President

Attest:

Board Secretary

SCHOOL BOARD AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY

January 23, 2012

SUBJECT: CONSIDERATION OF TAX REFUNDS

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Approve tax refunds in accordance with section 31.11 State Property Code with provision that no taxes are owed by the referenced parties on any account.

RATIONALE: The Property Tax Code requires the governing body of a political subdivision to approve all refunds over \$ 5,000.00 made under Section 31.11 of Tax Code.

BUDGET PROVISIONS/ACTION REQUIRED: Not Applicable

RESOURCE PERSONNEL: Dr. Toby York
Mrs. Charlene Piggott

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SECTION 31.11 REFUNDS

January 9, 2012

Name	Account#	Reason	Amount
BBVA COMPASS BANK	1262490010002	OVERPAYMENT	\$40,506.66
GE CAPITAL TECHNOLOGY MANAGEMENT	0207766	OVERPAYMENT	\$ 8,013.57
		TOTAL	\$48,520.23

NO TAX OWED BY THE ABOVE REFERENCED PARTIES ON ANY ACCOUNT

**FUTURE BOARD AGENDA ITEMS,
BOARD TRAINING,
BOARD MEETINGS**

CLOSED MEETING

INSTRUCTIONS FOR BOARD PRESIDENT GOOSE CREEK CONSOLIDATED INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT Baytown, Texas

Recess into Closed Meeting

Board President: This Board will now recess into a Closed Session pursuant to the following sections of the Texas Open Meetings Act:

Texas Government Code Section:

- 551.071** Private consultation with the Board's attorney.
- 551.072** Discussing purchase, exchange, lease, or value of real property.
- 551.073** Discussing negotiated contracts for prospective gifts or donations.
- 551.074** Discussing personnel or to hear complaints against personnel.
- 551.075 To confer with employees of the school district to receive information or to ask questions.
- 551.076 Considering the deployment, specific occasions for, or implementation of, security personnel or devices.
- 551.082 Considering the discipline of a public school child, or complaints or charges against personnel.
- 551.083 Considering the standards, guidelines, terms, or conditions the Board will follow, or will instruct its representatives to follow, in consultation with representatives of employee groups.
- 551.084 Excluding witnesses from a hearing.

NO ACTION WILL BE TAKEN WHILE THE BOARD IS IN CLOSED MEETING.

SCHOOL BOARD AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY

January 23, 2012

SUBJECT: CONSIDERATION OF PERSONNEL ACTION

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Approve three (3) elections subject to assignment;
approve ten (10) resignations.

RATIONALE: Fill vacancies for the 2011-2012 school year; accommodate
employees' request to resign.

BUDGET PROVISIONS/ACTION REQUIRED: Not applicable

RESOURCE PERSONNEL: Dr. Toby York
Dr. Byron Terrier

/jr

GOOSE CREEK CONSOLIDATED INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT
Office of the Superintendent
Baytown, Texas

January 23, 2012

ELECTIONS

1. **Amy Clanton**, teacher, assigned to Robert E. Lee High School.

A. High School Attended	Dayton High School
B. Degree Conferred	BA – Texas A&M University
C. Hours in Teaching Areas	Math – 56
D. Grades	Good
E. Experience	None
F. Certification	Standard Math 8-12
G. Interviewers	Dr. B. Cannariato, B. Davis

2. **Christina Robinson**, teacher, assigned to Goose Creek Memorial High School.

A. High School Attended	Lake Travis High School
B. Degree Conferred	BA – UHCL
C. Hours in Teaching Areas	Science – 56
D. Grades	Good
E. Experience	None
F. Certification	Standard Life Sciences 8-12
G. Interviewers	Dr. B. Cannariato, A. Richard

3. **Krystal Rogers**, teacher, assigned to Harlem Elementary School.

A. High School Attended	Channelview High School
B. Degree Conferred	BA – UHCL
C. Hours in Teaching Areas	Elementary – 56
D. Grades	Excellent
E. Experience	None
F. Certification	Standard Generalist EC-6
G. Honors	Dean's List, Honor Society, International Honor Society
H. Interviewers	S. Moore-Fontenot, M. Warford

GOOSE CREEK CONSOLIDATED INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

Office of the Superintendent
Baytown, Texas

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RESIGNATIONS

1. **Dr. Bernard Cannariato**, Director of Personnel for Goose Creek CISD, is retiring effective December 31, 2012. Dr. Cannariato will have been with the district 15 years, but has a total of 30 years outside the district.
2. **Mary Elms**, speech pathologist at Ashbel Smith Elementary School, is retiring effective June 6, 2012. Ms. Elms has been with the district 32 years.
3. **Shelly Frank**, deaf education speech therapist for East Harris County Coop, is resigning effective June 6, 2012. Ms. Frank is seeking employment in the private sector and going back to school.
4. **Keesha Luna**, social studies teacher at Goose Creek Memorial High School, is resigning effective June 6, 2012. Ms. Luna is moving to Indiana with her husband.
5. **Stacey Lundberg-Stiff**, dyslexia teacher at Gentry Junior School, is resigning effective June 6, 2012. Ms. Lundberg-Stiff's family has moved to Clifton, Texas.
6. **Alicia Martin**, math teacher at Robert E. Lee High School, resigned effective January 3, 2012. Ms. Martin accepted a position with Channelview ISD as a math specialist.
7. **Ambrose Rios**, ESL teacher at Baytown Junior School, is retiring effective June 6, 2012. Mr. Rios has been with the district 13 years.
8. **Christopher Shields**, social studies teacher at Robert E. Lee High School, is resigning effective January 27, 2012. Mr. Shields has accepted a position with the Bay Area Houston Economic Partnership.
9. **Leslie Wilkinson**, social studies teacher at Highlands Junior School, is resigning effective June 6, 2012. Ms. Wilkinson is moving out of state.
10. **Tanisha Williams**, science teacher at Highlands Junior School, resigned effective January 6, 2012. Ms. Williams left the teaching profession.